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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q65106

Volkmar HEUER

Appln. No.: 09/899,984

Group Art Unit: 2661

Confirmation No.: 5155

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For: METHOD OF OPERATING A DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK

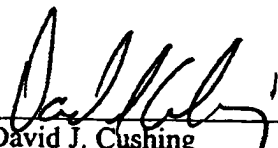
**STATUS INQUIRY**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The undersigned respectfully requests to be advised of the status of the above-identified application. The application was filed on July 9, 2001, and the Applicant still awaits a first Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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